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48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2007

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A MEMORIAL

PROCLAIMING THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2007, AS "ARCA DAY" AT THE
SENATE IN RECOGNITION OF ARCA'S FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

WHEREAS, ARCA began providing community-based support
services with its child study center and its preschool and
recreational programs in 1957; and

WHEREAS, ARCA was founded by a group of caring families
seeking community-based opportunities for their developmentally
disabled children; and

WHEREAS, ARCA continues to honor the preference of people
with developmental disabilities to live, work and play in their
local communities through its encouragement and support of
families and the greater Albuquerque community; and

WHEREAS, ARCA is the state's largest not-for-profit
provider of services to the developmentally disabled, offering

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1 an array of critical support services to over five hundred
2 children and adults each year; and

3 WHEREAS, ARCA offers its recipients many options,
4 including community living, family living, employment,
5 community-inclusion services and a statewide prader willi:
6 project; and

7 WHEREAS, ARCA's compassionate work force of over six
8 hundred employees helps individuals with disabilities fulfill
9 their daily needs, make meaningful choices, connect with the
10 community and achieve their dreams; and

11 WHEREAS, the New Mexico legislature has been a longtime
12 supporter of ARCA and of New Mexico residents with
13 developmental disabilities, and it continues to support them
14 and encourage their involvement with the legislature and
15 society;

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE
17 OF NEW MEXICO that recognition and appreciation be extended to
18 ARCA in honor of its fiftieth anniversary and that Thursday,
19 February 8, 2007, be proclaimed "ARCA Day" at the senate; and

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
21 transmitted to the members of ARCA.